JAN 2 0 2006

Iw

Docket No. 69014-A/GJG

N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Kiran K. Chada et al.

Serial No. : 10/630,423

Filed : July 29, 2003

For : METHODS OF IDENTIFYING ADIPOCYTE SPECIFIC

GENES, THE GENES IDENTIFIED, AND THEIR USES

1185 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036

January 17, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. \$1.56, applicant would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following disclosures, which are listed on Form PTO-1449 (Exhibit A). Copies of the disclosures listed below as items 1-4 are attached hereto as Exhibits 1-4, respectively:

- U.S. Patent Application 2003/0143610 (Haiyan Xu) published
 July 31, 2003 (Exhibit 1);
- 2. PCT International Application Publication No. WO 00/61631 (Veale et al.) published October 19, 2000 (Exhibit 2);
- Jaubert et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 96:10278-10283 (1999) (Exhibit 3); and
- 4. Matsukawa, et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 96:7403-7408 (1999) (Exhibit 4).

Applicant

Kiran K. Chada et al.

Serial No. Filed

10/630,423

Page 2

July 29, 2003

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. If any such fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

this certify that hereby correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Gershik Gary J//Gershik Reg. No. 39,992

Gary J. Gershik

Registration No. 39,992 Attorney for Applicants

Cooper & Dunham LLP

1185 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036

(212) 278-0400

| | | | | | | | | t of Commerce demark Office | Atty. Doc 69014-A/ | | Serial No. 10/630,423 | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--|--------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | Applicants Kiran K. Chada et al. | | | | |
| INFORMATION DISC (Use several she | | | | | | | | | | | Filing Date July 29, | te | Group | |
| | | | | | | | | | U.S. PA | TENT DOCUME | | | . l | |
| Examiner Initial | Document Number | | | | | | | | Date Name | | Class | Subclass | Filing Date if Appropriate | |
| | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 7/31/03 | Haiyan Xu | | | | |
| | ļ | ļ | <u> </u> | _ | _ | ╽. | _ | _ | | | | - | <u> </u> | |
| | | - | \vdash | - | ┞ | - | _ | ┞ | | | | | <u> </u> | . |
| | | - | <u> </u> | - | ╁ | ╂— | <u> </u> | | | | | | <u> </u> | |
| | | + | \vdash | \vdash | \vdash | + | | \vdash | | | | | | |
| | <u> </u> | 1 | <u> </u> | 1 | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u>i </u> | <u> </u> | FOREIGN | PATENT DOCU | MENTS | | <u> </u> | |
| | | Document Number | | | | | mb | | Date | Country | Class | Subclass | Translation | |
| | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | Yes | | No | |
| | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 10/19/00 | wo | | | ļ | |
| | ļ | ╀- | ├- | ļ | _ | - | - | _ | | | | | <u> </u> | |
| | | | | - | \vdash | | | ├- | | | | | <u> </u> | |
| <u> </u> | | <u></u> | - | - | | <u> </u> | | ╁╴ | | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u> </u> | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | ОТ | HE | R D | OC. | UM | ENTS (Incl | uding Author, Title, D | ate, Pertinen | t Pages, Etc.) | <u>.</u> | |
| | 3 | Ja | ub | er | t | et | al | <u> </u> | Proc. N | atl. Acad. Sc | i. USA S | 96:10278- | 10283 | (1999) |
| | ļ., | | | | | | | | | | | | . 7400 | |
| | 4 | Ма | ts | uĸ | aw. | a , | et | . a | I., Prod | c. Natl. Acad. | . Sci. US | SA 96: /4U. | 3-/408 | 3 (1999) |
| | | - | | | | | | | | | · · · · - · | <u> </u> | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | · | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

*EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609: Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicants: Kiran K. Chada et

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER

al.

U.S. Serial No. 10/630,423 Filed: July 29, 2003 Exhibit A